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	2.	Statement Pursuant to 37 CFR 1 [before Final Office Action and A	1.97(c) llowance]		N/C		
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	4.	Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d) [before Issue Fee payment]			\$180.00		
	The	following are submitted in the above	ve-identified applica	ıtion	in compliance with 37		
C.F.I	R. §§ 1	.97 and 1.98:					
$\boxtimes$	5. A list of documents on Form PTO-1449 together with copies of each identified document and a translation or a concise explanation of each non-English language document (or foreign search report) is enclosed herewith.						
This	paper	is submitted in accordance with:					
X	6.	37 CFR 1.97(b): [within 3 mon	ths of filing or prior	: to 1	st Office Action]		

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	7.	37 C	FR 1.97(c): [before Final Office Action and Allowance, whichever is earlier]; and
		a)	The required Statement made in item 9 below; or
		b)	The \$180.00 fee specified in 37 CFR §1.17(p) for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement is authorized in item 10 below.
	8.	37 C	CFR §1.97(d): [before issue fee payment]; and
		a)	The fee (\$180.00) required by 37 CFR §1.17(p) is authorized in item 10 below; and
		b)	The required Statement is stated in item 9 below.
	9.	Stat	ement under 37 CFR 1.97(e)
		a)	The undersigned attorney of record hereby certifies under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e) that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement (each item contained in this IDS was the first citation of that item by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application which occurred no more than three months prior to the filing of this IDS); or
		b)	No item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing this Statement, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.
$\boxtimes$	10.		ease charge all applicable fees associated with the submission of this Information sclosure Statement and any other fees applicable to this application to Deposit ecount No. 14-1140. An original and one (1) copy of this document are enclosed.
			Respectfully submitted,
			NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.
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